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Working of the Indian Trade Unions Act

* 2505 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram): Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the report on the working of the Indian Trade Unions Act, 1926, was published for the year 1952–53; and

(*b*) when the same was circulated to the Members of the Assembly?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) The report on the working of the Indian Trade Unions Act, 1926, for the year 1952–53 was released for publication on 7th April 1955.

(*b*) 13th April 1955.

Central Board of Forestry

* 2507 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representative of this Government attended the meeting of the Central Board of Forestry held in Ootacamund in May 1955;

(*b*) the proposals discussed during the meeting;

(*c*) whether the Government will be pleased to place a copy of the resolutions adopted at the meeting on the table of the House?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (*a*) The Minister for Agriculture attended the meeting.

(*b*) & (*c*) A statement [a] showing the subjects discussed and a copy of the resolutions passed at the meeting are placed on the table of the House.

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: Have the Government implemented any of the decisions of the Conference?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I would like to have notice.

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Regarding item No. 10, it has been recommended that forest resource surveys may be conducted by States, in productive forest areas to obtain full data regarding produce of known value as also of produce occurring commonly in the area. Have this Government taken any measures for conducting such a survey? Have steps been taken for the survey of the Koothali Estate belonging to the Government in consonance with this resolution?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: I would suggest to the hon. Member to put a separate question.

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on pages 358–365 infra.

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Industrial Finance Corporation

* 2508 Q.—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to start an Industrial Finance Corporation in the State; and

(b) if so, the present stage of the proposal?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: (a) & (b) An Industrial Finance Corporation sponsored by Government is already functioning in this State under the name of the Madras Industrial Investment Corporation, Limited.

Finance Commission

* 2469 Q.—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to appoint a Finance Commission in this State; and

(b) if so, at what stage the proposal is?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) The answer is in the negative.

(b) Does not arise.

Kambli Industry

* 2471 Q.—SRI S. R. ARUMUGHAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have considered the recommendation made by the Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Coimbatore, to organize on a co-operative basis the kambli industry in Sulur firka, Coimbatore district; and

(b) if so, when they propose to give effect to the recommendation?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Registrar of Co-operative Societies has reported that the Kurumbars in the areas are more sheep breeders than weavers. It is also reported that weaving is done by the women-folk only as a subsidiary occupation and that production of kamblies is uneconomic. The Registrar considers it not worthwhile to form a kambli weaving co-operative society at Kalangal village, Sulur taluk. The Government have agreed with him.

SRI S. R. ARUMUGHAM: About 500 families in Sulur firka are engaged in kambli weaving. Suppose it is not a remunerative work, then why should they depend for their livelihood on kambli weaving?